

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Laguna Creek Bluff Vegetation Restoration

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

PROJECT LOCATION: Coastal bluff area adjacent to Laguna Creek,
6 miles north of Santa Cruz, North Coast, Santa Cruz County

PARK UNIT: Coast Dairies property (Wilder Ranch SP)

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Restore native vegetation in the Laguna Creek bluff area of the Coast Dairies property. Project elements include elimination of cape ivy, control of agricultural weeds, and revegetation with native plants including California sage, Coyote bush and Lizardtail. Weed control/elimination will employ multiple methods including foliar application of herbicides, hand removal, grubbing with hand tools, chainsaws, hedge trimmers or weed whackers depending upon the kind of weed and the amount of intermixing with native plants. No herbicides will be used within 50 feet of Laguna Creek; any herbicide used between 50 and 100 feet if the creek will be registered for aquatic use. Seeds from nearby native plants will be gathered to generate the plants for revegetation.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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